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SUBJECT: PL 480 PROGRAM: NEW GUINEAN REQUEST

REF: CONAKRY 1217

1. GOG PRESENTED EMBASSY WITH NEWREQUEST FOR PL 480 PROGRAM ON JULY 8, 1977 SUPERCEDING PREVIOUS UNFILLED REQUEST.

LETTER AND SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION ERVEAL THAT PRACTICALLLY ALL FOOD REQUESTED IS INTENDED FOR URBAN AREAS (CONAKRY, KAMSAR, KINDIA, FRIA AND MAMOU). GOG DESIRES DELIVERIES THIS FISCAL YEAR IF POSSIBLE.

2. REQUEST WAS FOR: 15,000 METRIC TONS RICE 10,000 METRIC TONS WHEAT FLOUR 3,000 METRIC TONS VEGOIL 3,000 BALES COTTON 3,000 METRIC TONS MILK UNCLASSIFIED

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(PRESUMABLY SKIM MILK POWDER)

AND DRIED BEANS

3. LETTER FROM STATE COMMITTEE NOTES THAT; 1) INCREASE IN IMPORTED WHEAT IS OCCASIONED BY INCREASING POPULATION; 2) COTTON IS NECESSARY AS FEEDSTOCK FOR GOG TEXTILE MILL

WHICH IS OPERATING ANEW THANKS TO SHIPMENT OF COTTON FROM EEC AND; 3) MILK AND BEANS ARE FOR CHILDREN AND HOSPITALS.

4.COMMENT: EMBASSY STRONGLY SUPPORTS GOG REQUEST AND URGES DEPT AUTHORIZE EMBASSY NEGOTIATE ASAP AGREEMENT FOR FULL AMOUNT IF COMMODITIES CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE. IF SUPPLIES NOT AVAILABLE FY 77 WE WOULD LIKE TO OPEN NEGOTIATIONS IMMEDIATELY LOOKING TO DELIVERY AT BEGINNING FO FY 78. AS USUAL GUINEAN FOOD SITUATION IS TIGHT; FOOD AID WOULD BE EXTREMELY USEFUL TO GUINEA. IN MEANTIME WE ARE USING GOG REQUEST AS LEVER TO SEEK MORE DAU ON CURRENT STATE OF AGRICULTURAL SECTOR AND FOOD STOCKS. U.S. RESPONSIVENESS IN TERMS OF SPEED AND QUANTITY WILL BE VIEWED HERE AS BEST POLITICAL MEASURE OF RESULTS OF RECENT GOG HIGH-LEVEL VISIT (REFTEL), AND OF IMPORTANCE U.S. ATTACHES TO COMMITMENTS MADE BY PRIME MINISTER. HARROP

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